

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John Murtaugh on 5/20/09.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims:

4. In claim 1, line ³ delete "transfers" and insert therein - - transfer - - .

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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The claims are allowed in view of applicants amendment and arguments submitted 2/9/09. In particular the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest the claimed process for forming tubular labels made of heat shrinkable films and adhering them on bottles or containers including a step of "winding the precut label on a rotating tubular-shaped plate supporting the container or bottle to be labeled". Ashcroft (U.S. Patent 3,959,065) does not support the container or bottle to be labeled on a tubular-shaped plate (Figures 1 and 2). Doherty (U.S. Patent 4,199,851) (Figure 4 and Column 3, lines 41-42) and Nickey et al. (U.S. Patent 5,415,721)